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MEMORANDUM FOR Army Contracting Agency, Southern Region Installations

SUBJECT: Southern Region Implementation Memorandum (SRIM) 03-19, Architect & Engineer (A-E) Guidance Change

1. This memorandum provides interim guidance for Army Contracting Agency Southern Region Directorates of Contracting (DOC) in the execution and administration of A&E Contracts in accordance with the Engineer Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (EFARS) 36.601-3-90(b), PARC Instruction Letter 2002-12.
2. The TRADOC/FORSCOM A-E guide was developed using the Corps of Engineers (COE) A-E guidance. In June 2002, the COE changed its guidance for dollar values and option years.
3. The old EFARS guidance provided "A maximum of two (2) Option periods are allowable under Indefinite Delivery Contracts (IDC). An Option period is defined in terms of time or dollars. The contract time and value for the base and any option period shall not exceed one (1) year or \$1,000,000 (whichever occurs first), and the total contract shall not exceed three (3) years or \$3,000,000 (including modifications)."
4. The new guidance now says "An A-E IDC shall not exceed \$3,000,000 and a term of 3 years, except an A-E IDC set aside for small business (including HUB-Zone or 8(a) program) and shall not exceed \$5,000,000 and a term of 5 years."
5. We are still using the joint A-E guide and will continue to do so. Therefore, we are adopting the above EFARS change pending guidance from HQ ACA.
6. For further information contact the Southern Region Contracting Division..

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